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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is enclosed.

The listed document was cited in a Communication dated July 12, 2005, from the European Patent Office in a corresponding foreign application. A copy of the Communication is also enclosed.

It is noted that EP 0 764 527, also cited in the Communication, is not cited in this Information Disclosure Statement because it was already cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on July 22, 2003.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R § 1.97, no fee is due with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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